

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 3700**

PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 4676.0184

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Chikamasa Yamashita et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3771
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Application No.: 10/538,176)	Examiner: Ostrup, Clinton T.
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Filed: June 9, 2005)	
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For: Inhalation Device for)	Confirmation No.: 1747
Transpulmonary Administration)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION FILED
WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

This reply is filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 8, 2009. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a petition for a one-month extension of time with appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this reply.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.